

REMARKS

Claims 1-45 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-45 are allowed.

Claims 6, 11, 17, 27, 33, 37 and 42 are amended herein. No new subject matter is added.

§ 1.312 Amendment after Allowance

This amendment is being filed before or with the payment of the issue fee. Consideration and entry of the amendment is requested without withdrawing the application from issue.

Amendments to the Specification

Paragraph 27 of the application as published is amended to identify Figure 3 as being a scanning chassis of one embodiment of an optical scanner. This amendment is supported by the brief description of the drawings

Claim Amendments

Claims 6, 11, 17, 27, 33, 37 and 42 are amended without prejudice for grammatical purposes or to further clarify the claim language. The claim amendments are not being made to overcome any cited reference, and Applicant neither intends nor believes that these amendments operate to narrow the scope of the claims.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, consideration and acceptance of the amendment after allowance is requested prior to issuance. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 224-2170 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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